

Thank you

Our sincere thanks to the New Zealand Speleological Society. Recently members raised \$500 for our school in recognition of the generous access to caves in and around the Waitomo area granted to them.

Children's Work

Most of the days Meredith has been coming to our school. It is fun having Meredith at our school. I like listening to Meredith's stories. We like telling Meredith stories too. Meredith likes working in our classroom and in the other classroom too.
By Siân

Once upon a time there was a crab on the rock playing his game called Little Eye, Little Eye. He could see shark, seal, starfish and fish. Someone was behind the rock. It was Jaguar. He jumped out and he said, what are you playing? I am playing my sailing game.
By Tame

Once upon a time there lived a little black crow. He lived in the woods. Now, in those times red with white dots was a very poisonous colour. Now when the Mother and Father crow hadn't told their son he went out flying and stood in some poison. Then he flew over to New Guinea and the King thanked him for itching the bad animals with lots of colourful friends.
By Thomas

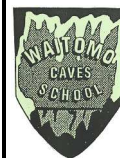


On Friday last week the whole school made friends with children from New Hampshire school in America. This is a school Meredith works with. We Skyped the children and teacher, you can see them on the big screen. We shared stories, asked questions and sung a Waiata for them.

What's Coming up at Waitomo Caves School

18 June	Batons Up fundraising day, 4.00pm
25 June	Rugby home game dinner prep
5-8 July	Senior Snow Camp
7-8 July	Junior Snow Camp
8 July	Reports go home
12 July	Report evening
14 July	Seniors First Aid Training
15 July	End of Term 2
1 August	Term 3 begins

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Term Two 2011

Week Seven – 17 June

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome Maree Boyle from Fullerton Road. Maree has been helping out in the junior class during Kick-Start lessons with the juniors and Ms Easton. We are looking forward to seeing more of Maree.

On Wednesday afternoon we welcomed the Arctic Wind Flute Choir to perform. The 13 strong group played several pieces enjoyed by children, family and friends.



Soccer

The draw for tomorrow's soccer games are:

6th Grade – 9.00am Waitomo Golden Eagles vs Piopio Kiwis Field 6

7th Grade – Waitomo Scorpions have a bye

8th Grade – 9.45am Waitomo Flames vs Maihihi All Stars Field 1

13th Grade – 10.10am Waitomo Warriors vs Te Kuiti Spurs Field 3

Thank you

Thank you so much to the Waitomo Ski Group who has contributed funds towards our school camp this year. We are extremely grateful.



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Staff

Mrs Felicity Steger has been appointed the principal release teacher and will begin working with the senior class in Term 3. She has many strengths and experience in teaching children in the middle and senior school.

Due to our roll increase and projected new entrant roll a second appointment has been made. This is for a third teacher to teach numeracy and literacy in the mornings, to a middle school group set up in the library. Miss Jenny Crown will also begin in Term 3. She is also appointed to support the Te Reo and Kapa Haka programme. This is a Board funded fixed term position. We would like to sincerely thank the Caitlin Ash Trust for assisting with funding.

We look forward to welcoming both Felicity and Jenny. Please make yourself known to Felicity and Jenny as I know they will be pleased to meet you too.

Colgate Carton Race

Our collection is going really well. We have been very excited about seeing where we are placed on the leader's board when we update our count. Currently we have 157 cartons which make 4.91 per pupil. That places us 15th on the leader's board! We've got 13 days to go!



School Photos

Thank you to everyone who ordered individual, family and class photos recently. They really looked wonderful and we hope you were pleased with your purchase.

Camp

Thank you for your attendance at the camp meeting. There was a lot of information shared and more discussions still to be had. Decisions will be made in consultation with parents to finalise numbers and commitment from volunteer helpers as soon as possible. Please see Tamae if you have any further queries regarding camp details.

The pink Parental Consent, Emergency Contacts and Risk Disclosure form and Health profile and medical consent form that were distributed at the meeting can be completed and returned to school early next week.

Batons Up

Thank you to everyone who sold Batons Up tickets over the past month. A special thanks Dawn and Johana who sold a large amount of these tickets. The profit is \$2,000 which all goes towards camp.

In a last effort to raise money to further subsidise our camp costs the Batons Up draw will consist of wheel raffles, drinks and snacks for sale. Please come along to the Pavilion for the draw. Saturday 18 June at 4.00pm. If you are able to provide a prize for the wheel in the way of a small gift please bring it along. Parents are asked to please bring a plate for a shared snack.

Fundraising

Congratulations to the fundraising committee and all parents for working extremely hard in raising funds for camp and other school projects. It has been a very busy, and hugely successful year with raising funds for the school. There are more activities in the pipeline that will be shared later in the year. If you have any ideas regarding fundraising please contact Myke.

The next home game dinner is scheduled for Saturday 25 June, next weekend. Helping hands can meet at the Pavilion anytime after 2.00pm.

Administration Upgrade

The administration upgrade will begin on Monday. This Saturday a group of workers will be preparing the area for the project to start. We understand a lot of families are involved in winter sport however if anyone is available to come along at 10:00am to help out that would be great.

ON STAGE Te Kuiti present Peter Panto, entertainment for kids of all ages. Little Theatre, King Street. July 9, 10, 12 to 15 July. Tickets available now from Te Kuiti i-site. 8788077. A performance not to be missed, starring Leah Bell and friends.